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LOC Questions and Clarifications Memorandum

To: Solicited Vendors for Letter of Configuration (LOC) Number 41217, dated May 20, 2014 for IBM Mainframe Software Licenses for the Mississippi Department of Employment Security (MDES)

From: Craig P. Orgeron, Ph.D.

Date: June 11, 2014

Subject: Responses to Questions Submitted and Clarifications

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LOC Number 41217 is hereby amended as follows:

1. **Item 3, Procurement Project Schedule is being modified to read:**

Task	Date
Release of LOC	Wednesday, May 21, 2014
Deadline for Vendors' Written Questions	Tuesday, May 27, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time
Addendum with Vendors' Questions and Answers	~~Thursday, May 29, 2014~~ **Wednesday, June 11, 2014**
Proposals Due	~~Tuesday, June 3, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time~~ **Wednesday, June 18, 2014 at 3:00 p.m. Central Time**
Begin Proposal Evaluation	~~Tuesday, June 3, 2014~~ **Wednesday, June 18, 2014**
Notification of Award	~~Wednesday, June 4, 2014~~ **Thursday, June 19, 2014**

The following questions were submitted to ITS and are being presented as they were submitted, except to remove any reference to a specific vendor. This information should assist you in formulating your response.

Question 1: What machine type and capacity setting is the software specified in the RFP going to run on? E.g. 2818-L03?

Response: **Note multiple machines with the serial numbers**

Machine No.	Machine Name	Serial
2059-B17	AU 2059	02002DN
2096-S02	System3	83B7CC1
2818-R03	System4	020F3E7
2096-S03	System5	83B7CD1

Question 2:   What is the serial number of the above machine?

Response: **Please see response to question number 1 of this Memorandum.**

Question 3:   What is your 7 digit IBM System z Software Customer number?

Response: **Customer number 5938138**

Question 4:   How many IFLs is z/VM going to be running on/controlling?
First, is this RFP for the net new acquisition of the products mentioned in the RFP? Meaning that they are not asking merely for annual maintenance quotes on products they already have in house.
 Second, z/VM is licensed per engine that it runs on. An IFL is a type of specialty engine that allows the Linux operating system to be run on the mainframe, aka zLinux. Usually customers run z/VM to manage their zLinux environment but it may be that they want z/VM for another purpose other than running zLinux. In either case I need to know how many engines, either IFLs or general purpose engines they will be running 5741-A07 z/VM on. If it's not being used for zLinux the number of engines licensed would typically be the number of general purpose processor engines their mainframe has turned on.

Response: **One processor or engine.**

If you have any questions concerning the information above or if we can be of further assistance, please contact Ben Garrett at 601-432-8138 or via email at ben.garrett@its.ms.gov.

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